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CHAFEE FIGHTING FOR CLEAN AIR

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee today reiterated his strong support for Clean Air legislation that recognizes the need to address carbon dioxide, retain state authority to address interstate pollution, and strengthen current pollution protections.

“I remain committed to working with members from both sides of the aisle on the contentious issues that we confront. I join many members of the Environment and Public Works Committee, Governors and environmentalists who have reiterated their strong opposition to a clean air bill that does not, at a minimum, meet 1990 clean air standards while addressing the raft of lawsuits that the current regulations have caused.”

“I believe any Clean Air legislation must address these serious problems with sound environmental regulation of the power industry -- while striking a balance among public health, the economy and energy efficiency. With so many people in agreement that we need to make significant reductions in power plant emissions, the nation cannot afford to miss the opportunity for a legitimate debate and congressional approval of Clean Air legislation that will ultimately be signed into law by the President”